

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time October 9, 2016

" *The Shrine* "

St. Odilo Parish

National Shrine of the Poor Souls

St. Odilo Church is the only parish in the United States dedicated to the Souls in Purgatory. It was founded and sanctioned as the Shrine of the Poor Souls by His Eminence, George Cardinal Mundelein, in 1928, with a special indulgence of 200 days granted upon each visit to the shrine.

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Monday thru Friday: 6:30 and 8AM

Saturday: 8:00AM, 4PM

Sunday: 7AM (Sp.), 8:00 (Eng.), 9:30 (Latin) & 11AM (Eng.) & 12:30PM (Sp.)

Holy Days: 6:30PM (Eng.) the previous evening; 6:30, 8:10AM, 12:00 Noon and 6:30PM (Sp.)

Church is open: Weekdays from 6AM - 6PM

Confessions: Saturday 11:15AM - 12Noon & by appointment.

Rectory Office hours: Monday thru Friday: 9AM -9PM

Saturday 9AM-7PM Sunday 9AM-7PM

All Sacraments and ceremonies are available in Italian, Latin, Spanish & of course English.

Baptisms: Every Saturday at 10:30AM & Sunday at 1:30PM. Parents are required to register for baptism with a priest. Parents should be registered parishioners. Please call to make an appointment.

Marriages: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance with a parish priest. Please call the rectory to make an appointment.

Visits to the Sick: Please inform the rectory for hospital or homebound visits.

Quinceaneras: Cotillion Masses are available for our girls who have been confirmed-please call.

Ramblings - Fr. Brankin

A couple of weeks ago—on Sept. 12th—we celebrated the Feast of the Most Holy Name of Mary. And today we celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary whose original title was Our Lady of Victory.

Now at first glance we are tempted to think of these merely as sweet devotional feast days where we remember the beauty and the loveliness of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We meditate on how nice Mary is—and how her name is holy and how her rosary is a beautiful prayer which we should say more often.

Yes—all that is true. But she is not beautiful or sweet or the one to whom we will want to go when we are troubled unless we also know that she is powerful—and strong—in her own right.

And how do we know that? Because we know that because she has been totally involved in the Age-Old battle of God against Satan. She is the Lady in Our Lady of Victory—and the victory is over Satan. And that takes some strength because the Sweet Virgin Mary is right there battling in the only war that ever was—the War of Lucifer against God.

Just remember that every struggle in our lives—in our hearts—in our families—in our homes—in our world—is just a spark—a reflection of the great war that rages throughout the Universe between God and Satan—between God and no-God—between The Most Blessed Trinity and Lucifer and his Fallen Angels—between good and evil.

And Mary is right there—leading us, guiding us—she is with us and for us. This is not exaggeration or hyperbole. The whole history of the human race—from the creation of Adam and Eve and the love that God had for them—to the jealousy of Satan against Adam and Eve—is a drama played out in the heart of this little girl, Mary—daughter of Ana and Joaquin.

You see what happened was that the brightest of all the Angels—Lucifer—and all his fallen comrades—all the bad angels who followed him—resisted God—they wanted to be God—and they rebelled against God—They said “No” to God. And you do not say “No to God. And God, by means of his Archangel Michael, drove them out of heaven and sent them to Hell, and forever.

Satan was enraged that God loved Adam and Eve—and so to get back at God—the devil tempted them to say “No” to God when God asked them to do something.

This was the original Sin—which actually is every sin—which is the only Sin—It was the sin of Satan and the sin of Adam and Eve—to say “No” to God when God expects you to say “Yes”. Even if you are tempted—you cannot say “No” to God. That never works.

After Adam and Eve sinned and were driven out of the Garden, and the gates of heaven were closed to all humans until Jesus—I can just hear Satan saying to God “How do you like your little Adam and Eve now, God????”

So humans have been the battleground of the war between God and Satan at least since humans were created.

We are where the war is fought—and we feel the effects of that war in our own sinfulness and the unhappiness and tears that sin always brings us. We even feel that war between God and the devil in things that are not our fault like sickness—and accidents and death and destruction.

And as in every war—there are deceptions and false flags and Satan tries to get us to worship him—thinking we are worshipping God.

Satan gets us to worship snakes and skulls and mud and blood. He gets us to believe that we are being good—when we are being bad.

He gets us to believe that sin is virtue and virtue is sin—that death is greater than life.

He still gets people to consult fortune tellers and healers and witches and warlocks. Talk to any exorcist—and he will tell you—that the number of possessions and obsessions has only increased in our modern godless world.

And I am not an exorcist—but I hear all the time of the dark dreams at night and black shadows across the rooms. Certainly without the true God—we have a lot to be afraid of.

And why does Satan do this—why does he try to hurt us? He is just trying to get back at God. He figures—with every sin we commit—he wins a victory against God. He is delighted that The God who gave these humans life now has to watch them die.

That is until—we remember a little fourteen year old girl—whose soul was sinless and whose heart was pure and she said “Yes” when God asked her if she would be the Mother of the Messiah.

She could have said “No, God please, I am just a little girl. I only want to stay here at home—and be quiet and not get involved. I am not strong enough to battle Satan and all the Fallen Angels.” She could have told Gabriel “Tell God He should find someone else.”

But she didn't. Mary said to the Angel “Let it be done unto me according to thy word”. And because she said “Yes” and “Let it be done unto me”, the battle for our souls—the battle for control of the Universe could begin and it could be won.

And as you think about it, you begin to realize that this is all more than sweet and devotional. This is about strength and power and a dramatic confrontation—in the heart of a little girl—between the evil of Satan—and the goodness of God.

Mary may have been a little girl—but she was a mighty person—a valiant person—courageous—daring. She gave up her life for others—us. She was ready to die to her own desires to her own will—that we might live. She led the way to victory over the most powerful of all the Angels—and she shares that victory with us.

This gives us the background against which we can understand what is going on in the historical meanings of the Feasts of the Holy Name of Mary and of Our Lady of the Rosary.

Both feasts celebrate military victories against the forces of darkness—against the false willful god of the Muslims. Most of the time—their invasions came out of North Africa—this time they came from Turkey. And make no mistake about it—these battles are our participation of the war in heaven.

Two times—a hundred years apart—the Turkish hordes invaded Christian Europe—and it looked grim for Christians—hundreds of boats—thousands of cavalry—tens of thousands of soldiers all with one goal—to take Europe for Allah.

The Sultan of Turkey said once that he would not rest until his horses were stabled in Saint Peter's Basilica. You can be sure that the pope at that time prayed that they would be turned back.

They all knew that if Catholic Europe lost—then Christ would lose and many souls would be lost. Churches would be destroyed—the Mass would be forbidden—sacraments denied—and mercy expunged from the soul of the world. And the victory ultimately would belong not to the Muslims—but to the Ancient Enemy—Satanas.

At Lepanto in the sea between Italy and Greece they were turned back—by military means and by the intercession of Mary. Not only did the Pope ask all Christians to pray the rosary for victory over the Muslims—but a painting of Our Lady of Guadalupe from Mexico flew from the main mast of the lead boat of the Christians. Yes this victory belonged to the Virgin.

And then a hundred years later at the Battle of Vienna, the Polish army under John Sobieski—spending the night in prayer to Our Lady—the Black Madonna—came down to Austria to meet the Muslims at the gates of Vienna—and they drove them back to Turkey where they were so badly beaten that they licked their wounds for the next three hundred years.

So all of this is to say that we must never forget the power of the enemy—or the power of the Virgin Mary in combating our Ancient Enemy—no matter what disguise he takes.

The enemy today may sometimes still be the Muslims—this time invading Europe from Syria—under the disguise of refugees. And because Europeans don't have children anymore—the Muslims may very well take over Europe—and finally get to stable their horses in St. Peters and maybe even in Hotel Saint Martha.

The enemy may come in the disguise of well—meaning liberals who manipulate us into living their totalitarian nightmare—where there are no families—no cousins—no homes—a scary world where there are no fathers and mothers—just mommy's boyfriend or daddy's girlfriend or where there are not even grandparents because they are in assisted living facilities—a sad world where the children who aren't prevented by birth control or killed in abortions—are raised electronically by television personalities and Face book friends.

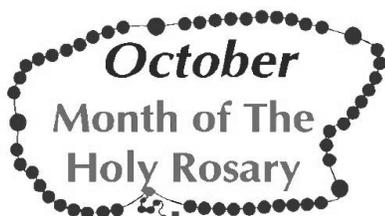
Oh it is Quite a war out there—and it rages in our hearts and homes and in the stars and planets—it is between God and Satan—as it always has been. But let us thank God He has given us Mary—Our Lady of the Rosary who is Our Lady of Victory.

And when we say the rosary—and we better start saying it—the victory will be ours.

ST. ODILO PURGATORIAL SOCIETY



There are special envelopes in the vestibule of the church for enrolling your deceased relatives and friends in the St. Odilo Purgatorial Society. The names will be printed in a book remembering our beloved dead which is placed by the Poor Souls Shrine. A special novena is offered at St. Odilo for those enrolled. You may drop the envelopes in the collection or at the rectory. When filling out the envelope please **PRINT** all names **clearly** or they can not be printed in the book.



ROSARY & BENEDICTION
Friday, October 14th
At
2:30PM & 6:30PM

Savers Clothing Drive



Please bring your donation items

Oct 22nd 12-2:30 pm

to the school parking lot

(6617 W. 23rd St., Berwyn)

A portion of the proceeds goes to *St. Odilo School*
and to the *Epilepsy Foundation*

Accepted items include:

- Hats, mittens, scarves, ties, socks, purses, wallets, backpacks, bags
- Men's, women's, children's clothes
- Small electrical toasters, radios, power tools, irons, blenders, mixers, stereos, CD players, speakers, DVD and VCR players, table lamps, floor lamps, humidifiers
- Bicycles, golf accessories, garden tools, sports equipment, exercise equipment, skis
- Toys, games, puzzles, stuffed animals
- Pots, pans, utensils, china cups, vases, dishes, cutlery, glassware, silverware, stemware
- Jewelry, crafts, mugs, candles, pictures/frames, baskets, ornaments, hand tools
- Hardback and paperback books, magazines, records, tapes, CDs, videos, DVDs, computer software
- Small furniture
- Bed/bath towels, sheets, blankets, pillows, curtains, tablecloths



Regístrate para votar antes del 11 de Octubre del 2016

La última semana

Debes ser ciudadano de EE.UU. y mayor de 18 años (antes de las elecciones)

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Question? Call Beth Ritzenthaler at the rectory, 708-484-2161.

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October 23
Jubilee of Mercy

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

For 90 years the Church has celebrated World Mission Sunday as a way of highlighting the merciful mission of Christ that brings hope to the world. In this *Jubilee of Mercy* we in the Archdiocese of Chicago place Christ at the center of our communities and dream together about the renewal of our Church. We believe that as Christ sends us forward to be his missionary disciples, He will also give us what we need to renew His Church and transform the world.

This 90th celebration of World Mission will take place on October 23, which we will mark in solidarity with the countless missionaries who bring the Gospel to some of the most remote places and cultures. They need our support through prayer and our financial gifts. Your generosity enables local priests, religious, and catechists to travel to remote areas for the work of evangelization and to build churches, educate children and adults, prepare young men for the priesthood, and provide medical care through Catholic hospitals and clinics.

As we begin the Renew My Church effort in the Archdiocese of Chicago World Mission Sunday prompts us to reflect on our priorities to be vital and mission driven parishes. The Church's world mission is fundamentally about bringing people to Christ whether that is in our own neighborhoods or across the continents. We are all invited to participate in this effort. I pray that every parish will respond to this year's World Mission Sunday by actively offering its generous stewardship and fervent prayer for missionaries and people of faith throughout the world.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Blase J. Cupich
Archbishop of Chicago

23 de octubre
Jubileo de Misericordia

Queridas hermanas y hermanos en Cristo,

Durante 90 años, la Iglesia ha celebrado el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones para poder enfatizar la misión misericordiosa de Cristo que trae esperanza al mundo. En este Jubileo de Misericordia; nosotros en la Arquidiócesis de Chicago ponemos a Cristo en el centro de nuestras comunidades y así soñar juntos con la renovación de nuestra Iglesia. Creemos que así como Cristo nos envía a ser sus discípulos misioneros también Él nos dará lo que necesitamos para renovar su Iglesia y transformar el mundo.

Esta celebración de 90 años se llevará a cabo el 23 de octubre, que marcaremos en solidaridad con los innumerables misioneros que llevan el Evangelio a los lugares y culturas más remotas. Ellos y ellas necesitan nuestro apoyo con la oración y donaciones financieras. Su generosidad permite a los sacerdotes, religiosas y catequistas llegar a las áreas remotas para el trabajo de evangelización y la construcción de iglesias, la educación de niños y adultos, la preparación de jóvenes para el sacerdocio, y proporcionar atención médica a través de los hospitales y clínicas católicas.

Al comenzar el esfuerzo de Renueva Mi Iglesia en la Arquidiócesis de Chicago, el Domingo Mundial de las Misiones nos invita a reflexionar sobre nuestra prioridad de ser parroquias con vitalidad y espíritu misionero. La misión mundial de la Iglesia es fundamentalmente acercar a las personas a Cristo ya sea en nuestros vecindarios o en todos los continentes. Todos estamos invitados de participar en este esfuerzo. Oro para que cada parroquia responda al Domingo Mundial de las Misiones de este año, para que ofrezcan activamente su generosa corresponsabilidad y oración ferviente por los misioneros y las personas de fe en todo el mundo.

Sinceramente suyo en Cristo,
Reverendísimo Blase J. Cupich
Arzobispo de Chicago

SICK RELATIVES & FRIENDS

Please remember the sick - Regina Szatkowski, Josephine Sprovieri, Ernest Karamas, Charlie Turek, George Kasper, Alice Kowalski, Henry Kereluk, Sr. Johanna Trisoliere, Ramon Marentes, Richard Wenc, William Stepanek, Karen Lewis, Joseph Kirchoff, our Veterans, Barbara Defina, Ralph Cannataro, Mike Kadrowicz, Eddie Shishkoff, Baby Carmody, Frances Rapacz, Maurice Ford, Milly Kosinar, Shirley Klein, Anita Sanchez, Karen Halter, L. R. Hammond, Patricia Niwa, Barbara Mance, Deborah Ferguson, Francisco Solis, Jeanette Sprovieri, Hubert Ruiz, Mike Reato, Joseph Cannella Jr., Robert Bujnowski, Patricia Dewk, Danny Gale, Joan Brunner, Pat Fitzgerald, Patricia Stalzer, Norma Kmet, Frank Niwa, Tuley Ruzicka, Jim Wisniewski, Narda Zendlock, Donna Oborski, Paul Burke, Elizabeth Andrejek, Ashley Hess, Jean Bonin, Isabelle Rodriguez, Richard Geary, Charlotte Moore, Ted Priban, Bernice Hadzima, Adam Mance, Mary Zindrick, George Fuoco, Angie Nutile, Rahman Ayi, Roger Kowalski, Vincent Wallis, Pat Grady, Irene Smith, Lewis Johnson, Lu Pitrak, Peg Kocar.

REST IN PEACE

Please remember all those God has called to Himself from our parish family Frank D'Agostino, Johanna Reilly, Bernadette Valladao, Maria Gonlazez.

WEDDING BANNS

II-Darrion Brooks & Brittney Catavu

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

MONDAY...

6:30-Legion of Mary (PrR)

TUESDAY...

4PM-CCD (SCH)

6:30-CCD (SCH)

3PM-Jr. High Choir (SCH)

5PM-Folkloric Dance (PH)

6:30-Spred (PrR)

7PM-Adoration Chapel Committee (PR)

WEDNESDAY...

3PM-Handbells (CH)

6PM-ESL Beginner (PH)

6:30-Arts & Crafts (SR)

7PM-Spanish Choir (PR)

7:30-ESL Intermediate (PH)

THURSDAY...

3PM-Children's Choir (SCH)

6:45-Armory of Christ (CB)

7PM-Confirmation Meeting (English-PH & Spanish-CH)

FRIDAY...

6:30-Pequeño Rebaño (CB)

7PM-Faith Formation (PR)

REFLECTION FOR THE WEEK

RESPECT MUST BE EARNED.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MONDAY, OCTOBER 10-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-Jeff Penovich (Laura Nelson)

8:10AM-Jean Kereluk (Hank)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11-SAINT JOHN XXIII, POPE

6:30AM-Lucy G. Henry (Friend)

8:10AM-Salvatore Valentini Family (Mario Gaudio)

- Lynn Svandra

3PM-Divine Mercy

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-Birthday Blessings for Pilar De Torres
(Mila Esleta)

8:10AM-Walter Pinta (Daughter, Nancy)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13-WEEKDAY

6:30AM-Ed & Linda White (Family)

8:10AM-Carol Cody Newcomb (St. Sabina 1st Friday Club)

- Gladys Gajda (Friends from McDonald's)

- Good Health of Robert Hartfield

(John & Rosalie Mozis)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14-SAINT CALLISTUS, POPE AND MARTYR

6:30AM-Intentions of Raymond & Barbara Thill
(Thill Family)

8:10AM-Mary B. Rybak (Peter & Geri)

2:30 & 6:30PM-Rosary & Benediction

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15-SAINT TERESA OF JESUS, VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

8AM-Thomas Inns (Martin Burke)

12PM-Quinceanera-Leslie Carrion

2PM-Quinceanera-Carolina Ortiz

4PM-Birthdsy Blessings for Brian R. Prohaska (Family)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16-TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7AM-Guadalupe Martinez Silva (Daughter)

8AM-Anton & Mary Bergant (Daughter)

9:30AM-Michael Lagrimas (Schubert & Jurgens Families)

11AM-Catherine Desmet (Family)

12:30PM-Erika Aguirre (Family)



SCHEDULE FOR NEXT WEEK

October 15 & 16	Eucharistic Minister	Lector	Altar Servers
4PM	B. Ouska J. Stockhausen	K. Gleeson	V. Hernandez C. Hernandez
7AM (Esp.)	M. Marin, E. Mendoza A. Sambolin	O. Pereda	S. Garcia H. Garcia
8AM	N. Kmet, J. Oborski S. Sandoval	J. Gutierrez	R. Ronco A. Ronco
9:30AM			S. Carroll, S. Suter A. Pesek, E. Pesek
11AM	A. Canaverall, L. Canaverall F. Miller	G. Pater	J. Watts, J. Rau Gregory Gleeson
12:30PM (Esp.)	E. Coronado, M. Garcia A. Mendez, B. Salgado	NOT AVAILABLE	S. Vargas A. Vargas

Servers for Week of October 10-15: S. Ruiz, V. Bermudez